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## 118 IDAHO SCHOOLS TO RECEIVE FRESH FRUIT AND VEGETABLE GRANTS

(BOISE) -- Superintendent of Public Instruction Sherri Ybarra announced today that 118 Idaho elementary schools are being awarded Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program grants to fund healthy and nutritious snacks within the school day.

"I would like to congratulate all of the school buildings receiving this grant for the upcoming year," Superintendent Ybarra said. "It's great to see a focus on increasing students' consumption of fresh fruits and vegetables to positively impact student health."

The Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP) is a U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) program that allows schools the opportunity to offer children samples of fruits and vegetables. The goal of the program is to give students the opportunity to try more fruits and vegetables, in addition to what is offered in the National School Lunch Program.

The 118 Idaho schools awarded grants this year will use the funding to provide students with a wide variety of fresh fruits and vegetables at no charge. This is an effective and creative way of introducing fresh fruits and vegetables as healthy snack options. Schools receive reimbursement for providing the fresh fruits and vegetables to all students within the school day, but at a different time than the school meal programs operate.

Through the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program, many schools offer mid-morning or mid-afternoon snacks to students. The healthy snacks are delivered to the classroom, distributed out in the cafeteria or in hallways. Students may be given the opportunity to try Idaho grown fruits and vegetables such as apples, carrots, corn, cucumbers, grapes, peaches, pears, pluots, pumpkins, tomatoes, and zucchini. Students may also get to try fruits and vegetables that they recognize, but in a different form. For example, many children may not have eaten fresh corn or pineapple spears.

Schools were awarded the grants through a competitive application process. The grant period is from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. To be eligible for this federal grant, the 118 Idaho Schools must have met the following criteria:



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- Be an elementary school (eligible students are pre-K through 6th grade)
- Operate the National School Lunch Program
- Have more than 50% of students eligible for free/reduced priced meals
- Submit a complete application

For more information about Child Nutrition Programs or the competitive grant application process, please visit <a href="http://www.sde.idaho.gov/site/cnp/">http://www.sde.idaho.gov/site/cnp/</a>.

The following is a list of schools that were awarded the Fresh Fruits and Vegetables Program grant:

Building	School District	Grant Total
Aberdeen Elementary	Aberdeen School District	\$18,487.86
American Falls Intermediate School	American Falls School District	\$10,621.75
Hillcrest Elementary	American Falls School District	\$25,953.14
William Thomas Middle School	American Falls School District	\$4,809.85
Donald D. Stalker Elementary	Blackfoot School District	\$15,231.19
Fort Hall Elementary	Blackfoot School District	\$7,465.29
Alturas Elementary	Blaine County School District	\$21,193.40
Bliss Elementary	Bliss School District	\$4,058.31
Garfield Elementary	Boise School District	\$20,091.14
Grace Jordan Elementary	Boise School District	\$25,702.63
Hawthorne Elementary	Boise School District	\$14,379.44
Hillcrest Elementary	Boise School District	\$19,089.09
Horizon Elementary	Boise School District	\$33,017.61
Jefferson Elementary	Boise School District	\$16,032.83
Koelsch Elementary	Boise School District	\$22,746.58
Morley Nelson Elementary	Boise School District	\$26,003.25
Mountain View Elementary	Boise School District	\$17,736.32
Owyhee Elementary	Boise School District	\$13,527.70



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Whitney Elementary	Boise School District	\$27,506.32
Whittier Elementary	Boise School District	\$23,297.71
William Howard Taft Elementary	Boise School District	\$16,283.34
Bridgewater Elementary	Bonneville Joint School District	\$20,942.88
Falls Valley Elementary	Bonneville Joint School District	\$29,360.12
Naples Elementary	Boundary County School District	\$6,613.54
Valley View Elementary	Boundary County School District	\$17,636.11
Bruneau Elementary	Bruneau-Grand View School District	\$3,757.69
Grand View Elementary	Bruneau-Grand View School District	\$5,511.29
Popplewell Elementary	Buhl School District	\$31,464.43
Jefferson Middle School	Caldwell School District	\$11,623.80
Lewis & Clark Elementary	Caldwell School District	\$24,249.66
Lincoln Elementary	Caldwell School District	\$20,642.27
Sacajawea Elementary	Caldwell School District	\$25,351.91
Syringa Middle School	Caldwell School District	\$11,222.98
Van Buren Elementary	Caldwell School District	\$33,218.02
Washington Elementary	Caldwell School District	\$30,512.48
Wilson Elementary	Caldwell School District	\$30,061.56
Cambridge Elementary	Cambridge School District	\$3,206.57
Dworshak Elementary	Cassia School District	\$30,612.69
Mountain View Elementary	Cassia School District	\$29,360.12
Borah Elementary	Coeur d'Alene School District	\$17,185.19
Bryan Elementary	Coeur d'Alene School District	\$19,239.40
Fernan Elementary	Coeur d'Alene School District	\$18,988.88
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Winton Elementary	Coeur d'Alene School District	\$16,183.14
Coeur d'Alene Tribal School	Coeur d'Alene Tribal School	\$4,759.75
Council Elementary	Council School District	\$6,713.75
Culdesac Schools	Culdesac School District	\$2,304.72
Kenneth J. Carberry Elementary	Emmett School District	\$26,404.07
Shadow Butte Elementary	Emmett School District	\$24,249.66
A.W. Johnson Elementary	Firth School District	\$15,481.70
Gooding Elementary	Gooding School District	\$36,424.59
Hagerman Elementary	Hagerman School District	\$9,719.90
Hansen Elementary	Hansen School District	\$9,168.77
Homedale Elementary	Homedale School District	\$23,798.73
Homedale Middle School	Homedale School District	\$9,118.67
Idaho School for the Deaf & Blind	Idaho School for the Deaf & Blind	\$2,204.51
A.H. Bush Elementary	Idaho Falls School District	\$24,550.27
Dora Erickson Elementary	Idaho Falls School District	\$23,097.30
Ethel Boyes Elementary	Idaho Falls School District	\$21,995.04
Hawthorne Elementary	Idaho Falls School District	\$22,345.76
Linden Park Elementary	Idaho Falls School District	\$24,850.89
Harwood Elementary	Jefferson School District	\$12,425.44
Roberts Elementary	Jefferson School District	\$7,465.29
Horizon Elementary	Jerome School District	\$36,625.00
Jefferson Elementary	Jerome School District	\$29,209.81
Summit Elementary	Jerome School District	\$31,564.63
Kamiah Elementary	Kamiah School District	\$9,719.90
Farmin Elementary	Lake Pend Oreille School District	\$24,149.45



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Kootenai Elementary	Lake Pend Oreille School District	\$20,542.06
John Brown Elementary	Lakeland School District	\$18,187.24
Lapwai Elementary	Lapwai School District	\$14,279.24
Lapwai Middle School	Lapwai School District	\$1,803.69
McGhee Elementary	Lewiston Independent School District	\$16,032.83
Downey Elementary	Marsh Valley School District	\$5,862.00
Marsing Elementary	Marsing School District	\$18,487.86
Meadows Valley Elementary	Meadows Valley School District	\$4,960.16
East Minico Middle School	Minidoka County School District	\$8,116.62
Heyburn Elementary	Minidoka County School District	\$26,253.76
Centennial Elementary	Nampa School District	\$27,706.73
Central Elementary	Nampa School District	\$20,241.45
Endeavor Elementary	Nampa School District	\$29,610.63
Greenhurst Elementary	Nampa School District	\$17,335.50
Iowa Elementary	Nampa School District	\$27,706.73
Park Ridge Elementary	Nampa School District	\$23,598.30
Sherman Elementary	Nampa School District	\$30,662.79
Snake River Elementary	Nampa School District	\$23,848.83
Willow Creek Elementary	Nampa School District	\$35,422.53
Notus Elementary	Notus School District	\$9,770.01
Timberline Elementary	Orofino Joint School District	\$6,012.31
Maxine Johnson Elementary	Parma School District	\$19,089.09
West Wing Middle School	Parma School District	\$8,016.42
Payette Primary	Payette School District	\$25,802.84
Westside Elementary	Payette School District	\$12,124.83



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Lakeside Elementary	Plummer-Worley Joint School District	\$9,619.70
Jefferson Elementary	Pocatello School District	\$22,045.14
Tendoy Elementary	Pocatello School District	\$13,828.32
Washington Elementary	Pocatello School District	\$12,926.47
Mullan Trail Elementary	Post Falls School District	\$19,640.22
Richfield Schools	Richfield School District	\$5,761.80
Riggins Elementary	Salmon River School District	\$2,204.51
Shoshone Elementary	Shoshone Joint School District	\$12,325.24
Leadore School	South Lemhi School District	\$2,505.13
Bickel Elementary	Twin Falls School District	\$19,740.42
Harrison Elementary	Twin Falls School District	\$28,558.48
Lincoln Elementary	Twin Falls School District	\$27,356.02
Oregon Trail Elementary	Twin Falls School District	\$34,671.00
Central Canyon Elementary	Vallivue School District	\$38,077.97
Desert Springs Elementary	Vallivue School District	\$33,368.33
East Canyon Elementary	Vallivue School District	\$32,716.99
Lakevue Elementary	Vallivue School District	\$33,819.25
Pioneer Elementary	Weiser School District	\$21,844.73
Wendell Elementary	Wendell School District	\$26,203.66
Wendell Middle School	Wendell School District	\$8,567.54
Frontier Elementary	West Ada School District	\$20,441.86
Meridian Elementary	West Ada School District	\$21,744.53
Idaho Hill Elementary	West Bonner County School District	\$7,264.88
Priest River Elementary	West Bonner County School District	\$20,141.24



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Terreton Elementary	West Jefferson School District	\$11,974.52
Wilder Elementary	Wilder School District	\$11,974.52

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